State of Texas

County of Brazoria

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the City Council of Freeport, Texas met on Saturday, July 22, 2023 at 9:00 A.M. at Freeport City Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Training Room, 200 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Freeport Texas for the purpose of considering the following agenda items:

City Council:

Mayor Brooks Bass

Councilman Ward A, Jeff Pena Councilman Ward B, Jerry Cain

Councilman Ward C, George Matamoros Councilman Ward D, Winston Rossow

Staff:

Tim Kelty, City Manager Cathy Ezell, Finance Director Betty Wells, City Secretary

Laura Tolar, GIS

Chris Motley, Freeport Fire Chief

Jennifer Howell Police Department Chief

Kacey Roman, Building Official

Lance Petty, Freeport Public Works Director Lilly Celedon, Freeport Municipal Golf Course

Clarisa Molina, Administrative Assistant/Assistant City Secretary

Donna Fisher, Human Resource Director

Toby Cohen, IT Manager

Visitors:

Eric Hayes

Pam Dancy

Mayor Bass called the Strategic Plan Workshop to order at 9:00 A.M.

Invocation was led by Councilman Rossow, Pledge was led by Mayor Bass.

Pam Dancy passed out pictures of her property, she asked Council that they consider budgeting the money for repairs that are needed to keep her property from flooding.

## WORK SESSION:

Finance Director Cathy Ezell and City Manager Tim Kelty spoke of Fiscal Year 2023-2024. There was discussion on the rate increase of the water and sewer, the mandate of the lead and copper with the cost of \$265,000 to start the plan which includes two temporary part-time employees. There was discussion on the increase from BWA of \$211,700 and the increase with Veolia in the amount \$185,600.

## Department Heads presented their individual Strategic plans to Council

Each Director presented their plans to council.

During presentations Council asked questions and spoke about impact fees and infrastructure. Councilman Pena spoke about improving Customer Service, trust issues, transparency.

City Manager Tim Kelty talked about the Port Funding.

Councilman Cain said he would like to focus on infrastructure/drainage, the retainment of employees, and the City Parks.

Councilman Pena said he would like to focus on trust, accountability, transparency, customer service, and sanitary sewer.

Councilman Rossow said he would like to see focus on drainage, and the beautification and maintenance on properties.

Mayor Bass said he would like to see focus on the safety, sanitary sewer, and development.

City Manager Tim Kelty thanked staff for their hard work of preparing the plans and time for spending their time on a Saturday presenting the plans to Council.

## Adjourn

A motion was made by Councilman Rossow, seconded by Councilman Cain to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor, Brooks Bass

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City Secretary, Betty Wells

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